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SUBJ: RETURN OF PEOPLE'S TEMPLE SURVIVORS
1. (C) THE SITUATION REGARDING LEGAL STATUS AND RETURN TO CONUS OF US TEMPLE MEMBER SURVIVORS HAS DEVELOPED INTO UNKNOWN DIPLOMATIC DELAYS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUIREMENTS. IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT THE GUYANIAN GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO RELEASE THE GROUPS OF SURVIVORS WITHIN THE NEXT 72 HOURS. THERE ARE SOME INDICATIONS THAT THE "LAMAR GROUP" CULT SURVIVORS MAY NOT BE RELEASED UNTIL SOME TIME IN DECEMBER.
2. (C) IT IS PLANNED TO REDEPLOY ALL US MILITARY ELEMENTS FROM GUYANA BY END OF 27 NOV 78 EXCEPT FOR THE AIRLIFT CONTROL ELEMENT (ALCE) (ABOUT TWENTY SEVEN PERSONNEL) NECESSARY TO RETURN CULT SURVIVORS AND THE HELICOPTERS WITH PERSONNEL PROVIDING SUPPORT TO AMEMB GUYANA.
3. (C) IT APPEARS PRUDENT TO REDEPLOY THE ALCE ON 27 NOV 78 SINCE CULT SURVIVORS WILL NOT BE RELEASED WITHIN 72 HOURS. ALTHOUGH COMMERCIAL AIR IS PREFERRED AND AVAILABLE, IF MILITARY AIRLIFT IS REQUIRED SPECIAL MISSION AIRCRAFT AND REQUIRED SECURITY PERSONNEL CAN BE READIED FOR DEPLOYMENT WITHIN 24 HOURS.

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